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Applicant: R. S. Smith

Examiner: C. Bames

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The Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to an Office Action mailed April 21, 2004, to which a response is due July 21, 2004, the Applicant includes herewith a substitute specification and claims pursuant to 37 CFR 1.125(a) as required by the Examiner. The substitute documents are submitted to eliminate the misspellings and grammatical errors. No new matter has been added.

Also included are the claims amended in view of the Office Action, amendments of the substitute specification in view of the Office Action, and new (informal) drawings.